

REMARKS

Applicants wish to express appreciation to the Examiner for the allowance of claim 27, and notice of allowability of claim 3 as set forth in that Office Action.

In response to the Office Action, and in order to expedite allowance of the allowable subject matter, Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the heating limitations of claim 3, and has canceled claim 3. Applicant therefore believes amended claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the canceled and amended subject matter in a divisional case without prejudice.

Additionally, Applicant has amended dependent claims 4-26 to depend from allowed claim 27, and as such believes that claims 4-26 are also in condition for allowance. No new matter is added with these amendments.

Conclusion

In summary, Applicant believes all of the remaining claims are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the early issuance of a formal notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

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